

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2 to 4, 6 to 15, 23 to 25, 27 to 36, 44 to 45 and 47 to 48, add new Claims 49 to 56 and amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication controller for controlling communication between an apparatus and a network, comprising:
 - a data sending unit that sends, onto the network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent;
 - a receiving unit that receives, from the network, language data indicating a language selected by the user from the list;
 - an obtaining unit ~~adapted for obtaining~~ that obtains information concerning the apparatus;
 - ~~a language determining unit adapted for determining a language to be used in a message to be sent, from among a plurality of languages;~~
 - a message creating unit ~~adapted for creating~~ that creates a message to be sent, based on the information obtained by said obtaining unit, in the language ~~determined by said language determining unit~~ indicated by the language data received by said receiving unit; and
 - a sending unit ~~adapted for sending~~ that sends the message created by said message creating unit onto the network.

2. to 4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein said data sending unit sends data for enabling the browsing software to display a screen on which the user can select the language from the list and can enter a destination of the message, wherein said receiving unit receives destination data indicating the destination entered by the user, and wherein said sending unit sends the message created by said message creating unit to the destination indicated by the destination data received by said receiving unit ~~language determining unit determines the language based on information indicating a language specified for each destination to which the message is to be sent.~~

6. to 15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, further comprising:

a controlling unit ~~adapted for determining the~~ that determines a state of the apparatus based on information indicating the state of the apparatus and ~~for controlling that controls~~ a message sending process by said sending unit in accordance with the result of the determination.

17. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein said message creating unit determines ~~the~~ a state of the apparatus based

on information indicating ~~[[a]]~~ the state of the apparatus and creates contents of the message in accordance with the result of the determination.

18. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, further comprising:

a controlling unit ~~adapted for determining~~ that determines a state of the apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]]~~ the state of the apparatus and ~~for controlling that controls a~~ the message sent sending process by said sending unit in accordance with set values indicating conditions for sending a message and the result of the determination.

19. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein said message creating unit determines a state of the apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]]~~ the state of the apparatus and creates contents of the message in accordance with set values indicating conditions for sending a message and the result of the determination.

20. (Previously Presented) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein said message creating unit inserts a sentence prepared in advance into the message based on the information obtained by said obtaining unit.

21. (Currently Amended) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein said controller is a network board ~~to be~~ mounted on the apparatus.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a data sending unit that sends, onto a network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent;

a receiving unit that receives, from the network, language data indicating a language selected by the user from the list;

~~a language determining unit adapted for determining a language to be used in a message to be sent, from among a plurality of languages;~~

a message creating unit ~~adapted for creating~~ that creates a message to be sent, based on information concerning said apparatus, the message being created in the language ~~determined by said language determining unit~~ indicated by the language data received by said receiving unit; and

a sending unit ~~adapted for sending~~ that sends the message created by said message creating unit onto the network.

23. to 25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said data sending unit sends data for enabling the browsing software to display a screen on which the user can select the language from the list and can enter a destination to which the message is to be sent, wherein said receiving unit receives destination data indicating the destination entered by the user, and said sending unit sends the message created by said message creating unit to the destination indicated by the destination data received by said

~~receiving unit language determining unit determines the language based on information indicating a language specified for each destination to which the message is to be sent.~~

27. to 36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising:

a controlling unit ~~adapted for determining the~~ that determines a state of said apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]] the~~ state of said apparatus and ~~for controlling that controls~~ a message sending process by said sending unit in accordance with the result of the determination.

38. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said message creating unit determines ~~the~~ a state of said apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]] the~~ state of said apparatus and creates contents of the message in accordance with the result of the determination.

39. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising:

a controlling unit ~~adapted for determining the~~ that determines a state of said apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]] the~~ state of said apparatus and ~~for controlling that controls~~ a message sending process by said sending unit in accordance with set values indicating conditions for sending a message and the result of the determination.

40. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said message creating unit determines ~~the~~ a state of said apparatus based on information indicating ~~[[a]]~~ the state of said apparatus and creates contents of the message in accordance with set values indicating conditions for sending a message and the result of the determination.

41. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said message creating unit inserts a sentence prepared in advance into the message based on the information concerning said apparatus.

42. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said apparatus is a printer, a copying machine or a FAX machine.

43. (Currently Amended) A notification method for sending information indicating a state of an apparatus, comprising:

a data sending step of sending, onto a network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent;

a receiving step of receiving, from the network, language data indicating a language selected by the user from the list;

~~a language determining step of determining a language to be used in a message to be sent, from among a plurality of languages;~~

a message creating step of creating a message to be sent, based on a state of the apparatus, in the language ~~determined by said language determining step~~ indicated by the language data received in said receiving step; and

a sending step of sending the message created ~~by~~ in said message creating step onto the network.

44. and 45. (Canceled)

46. (Currently Amended) A computer readable program stored on a computer readable medium, the program for ~~delivering~~ sending information indicating a state of an apparatus, the program comprising:

a data sending step of sending, onto a network, data for enabling a browsing software to display a list of a plurality of languages so as to allow a user to select a language from among the plurality of languages to be used in a message to be sent;

a receiving step of receiving, from the network, language data indicating a language selected by the user from the list;

~~a language determining step of determining a language to be used in a message to be sent, from among a plurality of languages;~~

a message creating step of creating a message to be sent, based on a state of the apparatus, in the language ~~determined by said language determining step~~ indicated by the language data received in said receiving step; and

a sending step of sending the message created ~~by~~ in said message creating step onto the network.

47. and 48. (Canceled)

49. (New) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein the message is an e-mail message.

50. (New) The communication controller according to claim 1, wherein the browsing software is a web browser and the data sent by said data sending unit is described in Hyper-Text Markup Language.

51. (New) The communication controller according to claim 5, further comprising:

a storing unit that stores information indicating a plurality of combinations of the language and the destination; and

a language determining unit that determines the language to be used in the message to be sent based on the information stored by said storing unit,

wherein said message creating unit creates the message in the language determined by said language determining unit.

52. (New) The communication controller according to claim 51, wherein said data sending unit further sends data for enabling the browsing software to display the screen on which the user can enter a condition on which the message is to be sent, wherein said receiving unit receives condition data indicating a condition entered by the user, said storing unit further stores information indicating a plurality of combinations of the

language, the destination and the condition, and said language determining unit determines, as the language to be used in the message to be sent, a language corresponding to the condition which the condition information obtained by said obtaining unit satisfies.

53. (New) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the message is an e-mail message.

54. (New) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the browsing software is a web browser and the data sent by said data sending unit is described in Hyper-Text Markup Language.

55. (New) The apparatus according to claim 26, further comprising:
a storing unit that stores information indicating a plurality of combinations of the language and the destination; and
a language determining unit that determines the language to be used in the message to be sent based on the information stored by said storing unit,
wherein said message crating unit creates the message in the language determined by said language determining unit.

56. (New) The apparatus according to claim 55, wherein said data sending unit further sends data for enabling the browsing software to display the screen on which the user can enter a condition on which the message is to be sent, wherein said receiving unit receives condition data indicating a condition entered by the user, said storing unit

further stores information indicating a plurality of combinations of the language, the destination and the condition, and said language determining unit determines, as the language to be used in the message to be sent, the language corresponding to the condition which the information concerning said apparatus satisfies.